

NRCC Finance Committee Conference Call Minutes June 15, 2017

Present: Bill Manner, Alan Shelvey, Jill Arace, Kerry O'Brien

9:00am

Reviewed Draft FY18 Budget format. Highlights of discussion

- Add grant #s to first
- It would be helpful to total hours and dollar amount per position
- Interest in supporting the Districts getting together and coordinating and supervisors included
- Interest in engaging Districts more with NRCC

Capacity Building Process

- Considering not doing individual mini-grants, or perhaps creating an option for this?
- Considering 6 fully paid days of professional development, which would include training/development at DM meeting, and two additional days. Topics include: Partners Database, Strategic Planning, Results Based Accountability
- The committee considered potentially offering the 6 days, but having the option to use any remaining funds for individual capacity building plans (that would be approved)
- Considering eliminating per diem and offering compensation for full day. Considered what this would cost. Jill shared that she offers \$200 per day plus mileage for RCPP training, however she recognized that this doesn't cover District's full costs. Committee considered \$30/hr, which would be \$240/day plus mileage.

Strategic Planning

- Considering additional funding from VCF
- New Executive Director could address strategic planning as first item in work plan, potentially utilized some of the \$75,000. Would be a benefit for this new person
- Will need to be a combined process with VACD since grant funding is getting shared and changing
- Committee supports it as a two year process, first year would be information gathering, learning from first round of block grants

State Employment

- Concerned about losing control of position if it were to be administrated by State and Dept of HR, etc.

Next NRCC Meeting:

- Final FY17 Adjusted Budget and FY18 Budget Draft
- Summary of correspondence about State position/employment
- Summary of candidates for Ag Program Manager
- Recommended deliverables for core agreements